PETITIONS INSTITUTED ON 12/01/97

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of petition	Product(s)
34,032	Everbrite (IBEW)	Milwaukee, WI	11/17/97	Neon Signs.
34,033	Northern Technologies (Wrks)	Pocahontas, AR	11/12/97	Electrical Connectors.
34,034	AST Research (Wrks)	Fort Worth, TX	11/18/97	Computers.
34,035	Garfield Sportswear (UNITE)	Garfield, NJ	09/11/97	Ladies' Coats.
34,036	Con Agra (AFGM)	Buffalo, NY	11/17/97	Flour and Flour by-Products.
34,037	Barry Callebaut USA, Inc (Wrks)	Pennsauken, NJ	11/17/97	Cocoa/Chocolate.
34,038	Alltrista Zinc Products (Comp)	Greeneville, TN	11/19/97	Casts, Rolls and Slit Zinc Strip.
34,039	F.R. Gross, Inc. (Wrks)	Warren, PA	11/06/97	Fabricated Structural Steel.
34,040	Butler Design Service (Wrks)	Aurora, CO	11/12/97	Drafting Services—Telecommuni-
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34,041	Jam Enterprises (Comp)	El Paso, TX	11/04/97	Cloth Cutting Service.
34,042	Rotorex Company, Inc (IUE)	Walkersville, MD	10/28/97	Machined Shafts, Cylinders, Rollers.
34,043	Hogg's Factory (Wrks)	Malden, MO	11/14/97	Fleece Shirts.
34,044	Brown Shoe Group (Wrks)	Fredericktown, MO	11/17/97	Dress, and Sport Shoes.
34,045	ITT Automotive ()	Archbold, OH	11/17/97	Gas and Bake Line Tubing.
34,046	Manchester Knitted Fash. (Comp)	Manchester, NH	11/20/97	Men's, Ladies', Children's tops and bottom.
34,047	John Wiley and Sons, Inc (Wrks)	Colorado Sprgs, CO	11/20/97	Publish Legal Books.
34,048	Dresser Rand Co (IUE)	Painted Post, NY	11/18/97	Air Compressors.
34,049	Buehler Lumber Co (Wkrs)	Ridgway, PA	11/18/97	Cherry Panels.
34,050	Bazflex USA (Comp)	Gainesville, TX	11/18/97	Shoe Soles.
34,051	Franke Contract Group (Wrks)	North Wales, PA	11/21/97	Kitchen Equipment Supplier.
34,052	Matsushita Microwave Oven (Wrks)	Franklin Park, IL	11/18/97	Home Electronic Applicances.
34,053	Frontier Corp (Wrks)	Rochester, NY	11/07/97	Telecommunication Service.
34,054	Identity Headwear USA (Wrks)	Maysville, MO	11/20/97	Sport Caps.
34,055	TRW—Auto Electronics (ICWU)	Auburn, NY	11/10/97	Switches for Automobiles.
34,056	Crown Pacific (Comp)	Gilchrist, OR	11/18/97	Lumber.
34,057	Oldham Co (The) (Comp)	Burt, NY	11/19/97	Saw Blades.
34,058	Aquarius Manufacturing (Owner)	El Paso, TX	11/10/97	Living Room and Den Furniture.
34,059	Alcoa Fujikura Ltd (UAW)	Campbellsburg, KY	11/18/97	Automotive Wiring Harness.
34,060	General Motors (Wrks)	Albany, GA	11/17/97	Alternators and Parts.
34,061	Oxford of Alma (Comp)	Alma, GA	11/19/97	Ladies' Dresses and Pants.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

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G.E. Medical Systems Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application dated November 3, 1997, the X-Ray Lodge No. 1916 of the International Association of Machinists requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's negative determination regarding worker eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance. The denial notice, applicable to workers of G.E. Medical Systems producing medical diagnostic imaging equipment in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was signed on October 9, 1997 and published in the **Federal Register** on November 5, 1997 (62 FR 59882).

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.18(c) reconsideration may be granted under the following circumstances:

- (1) If it appears on the basis of facts not previously considered that the determination complained of was erroneous;
- (2) If it appears that the determination complained of was based on a mistake in the determination of facts not previously considered; or
- (3) If in the opinion of the Certifying Officer, a misinterpretation of facts or of the law justified reconsideration of the decision.

The petitioners assert that products produced by workers of the subject firm are now being produced in foreign countries by their suppliers and add that a large percentage of the subject firm sales come from the offshore market.

The TAA petition investigation for workers of the subject firm showed that the criterion (2) of the Group Eligibility requirements of Section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, was not met. Sales and production at the subject firm increased in 1996 compared to 1995 and in January-April of 1997 compared to the same time period in 1996.

The petitioner's assertion regarding company sales of imported diagnostic imaging equipment was addressed in the negative determination applicable to workers of G.E. Medical Systems in Milwaukee.

As specified in the group eligibility requirements of criterion (3) of Section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, the Department must establish that increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with articles produced at the workers' firm, contributed to worker separations.

Conclusion

After review of the application and investigative findings, I conclude that there has been no error or misinterpretation of the law or of the facts which would justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. Accordingly, the application is denied.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 11th day of December 1997.

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Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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